

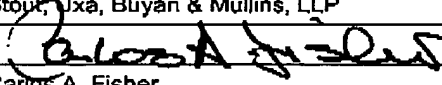
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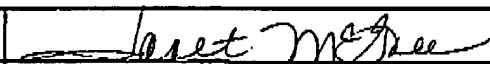
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This Reply is being filed to the Election of Species Requirement mailed March 24, 2006. Claims 1-6, 8, 9, 11, 12, 14-16 are pending in the present application. Applicants have the following comments:

The Status of the Claims begins on page 2.